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IN THE CLAIMS:

1 - 5. (canceled)

6. (currently amended) A process for producing an aqueous resin dispersion composition consisting essentially of an acid-modified chlorinated polyolefin, basic substance and water and without the use of an emulsifier comprising the steps of, in order:

dissolving an acid-modified chlorinated polyolefin in an ethereal solvent;

adding a basic substance to the acid-modified chlorinated polyolefin to neutralize;

adding a dispersion medium consisting of water to disperse the neutralized acid-modified chlorinated polyolefin therein; and

removing the ethereal solvent to obtain the aqueous resin dispersion.

7. (original) The process according to Claim 6, wherein the acid-modified chlorinated polyolefin is prepared by graft-copolymerizing at least one member selected from the group consisting of α,β -unsaturated carboxylic acids and acid anhydrides thereof with at least one member selected from the group consisting of polypropylene and propylene- α -olefin copolymers in a proportion

of 0.1 to 10 wt.% based on the at least one member selected from the group consisting of polypropylene and propylene- α -olefin copolymers.

8. (original) The process according to Claim 6, wherein the acid-modified chlorinated polyolefin has a chlorine content of 15 to 35 wt.%.

9. (original) The process according to Claim 6, wherein the acid-modified chlorinated polyolefin has a weight-average molecular weight of 10000 to 150000.

10. (original) The process according to Claim 6, wherein the ethereal solvent is at least one member selected from the group consisting of tetrahydrofuran, propylene glycol monomethyl ether, propylene glycol monoethyl ether and propylene glycol monopropyl ether.

11. (original) The process according to Claim 6, wherein the basic substance is at least one member selected from the group consisting of morpholine, ammonia and amines.